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SUBJECT: FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE FOR AMERICAN SCHOLAR

1. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED WRITTEN REQUEST FROM DEREK J. WALLER, ACTING DIRECTOR, EAST ASIAN STUDIES PROGRAM AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, FOR ASSISTANCE IN SETTING UP APPOINTMENTS WITH DIET MEMBERS AND/OR OFFICIALS OF THE FIVE MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES.

2. WALLER WILL BE IN TOKYO IN LATE SUMMER FOR THREE WEEKS (JULY 29-AUGUST 17) ON FORD FOUNDATION GRANT IN ORDER TO GET USEFUL BACKGROUND INFORMATION FOR COURSE ON JAPANESE POLITICS AT VANDERBILT. MAIN SUBSTANTIVE TOPIC OF CONVERSATION IS: SINO-JAPANESE AND RUSSO-JAPANESE RELATIONS, AND THE POLITICS OF THE JAPANESE COMMUNIST PARTY.

3. WALLER IS CURRENTLY DOING RESEARCH AT BRITISH MUSEUM, AND WILL RETURN TO NASHVILLE JULY 17 WHERE DEPARTMENT CAN REACH HIM ON RESULTS OF EMBASSY EFFORTS. ADDRESS WHILE IN TOKYO WILL BE: AKASAKA SHANPIA (SIC) HOTEL, 7-1-13 AKASAKA, MINATO-KU, PHONE 586-0811.

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4. WALLER HAS NOT PROVIDED BIO-DATA BUT MENTIONS ACADEMIC BACKGROUND: PH.D FROM THE SCHOOL OF ORIENTAL AND AFRICAN STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON (1968) AND DEGREE FROM THE LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND INDIANA UNIV.; AUTHOR OF UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA MONOGRAPH ON MAO AND THE KIANGSI SOVIET, AND OF BOOK, "THE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF COMMUNIST CHINA" (DOUBLEDAY), CO-AUTHOR OF "COMPARATIVE COMMUNIST POLITICAL ELITES" (MCKAY).

5. WALLER HAS NOT REQUESTED INTERPRETING ASSISTANCE BUT MAY REQUIRE INTERPRETER. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE AS APPROPRIATE AND REPLY ON ANY ARRANGEMENTS EMBASSY HAS MADE FOR TRANSMITTAL TO WALLER BEFORE JULY 29 DEPARTURE. SISCO

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